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BY AUTHORITY.



It has pleased His Majesty the King to appoint the Hon. A. Forester to be Clerk of the House of Representatives in place of Mr. Andrew J. Lawrence, resigned.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS: Your attention is called to the fact that the Hawaiian Gazette is published weekly, except on Sundays and public holidays. The price of the paper is \$1.00 per annum in advance. The paper is published at the Government Press, Honolulu.

The regular annual examination of the Government School of the District of Kona (Honolulu), Island of Oahu, will take place during the ensuing month (June), as follows:
Tuesday, June 13th, at the Millard School, King St.
Wednesday, " 14th, at the Royal School.
Thursday, " 15th, at the Fort Street School.
SCHOOL SCHEDULE:
Monday, June 26th, at Kanihiki Church, 5 schools.
Tuesday, " 27th, at Kanihiki Church, 4 schools.
Wednesday, " 28th, at Kanihiki Church, 4 schools.
Thursday, " 29th, at Kanihiki Church, 4 schools.
The regular annual examination of the above schools will extend from the date above named to Tuesday, August 1, 1871, from which date a new term will commence.
By order of the Board of Education.
W. J. S. SMITH, Secretary.
Honolulu, May 9, 1871.

The Hotel.

The building designed for hotel purposes, to be located on the Hooper lot, on Hotel Street, has been commenced. The excavation for the basement began on Monday last, and the work will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible until the building is completed and ready for occupancy. We do not pretend to inform our readers when it will be finished, for, although all the material is in the town, and can be placed upon the lot as fast as it may be needed, the labor is not so easy to obtain, and therefore, the building can progress only as fast as men can be found to proceed with it. It can hardly be expected that our mechanics will all be engaged upon this one work, or that they will lay aside other jobs, in order that this one may be finished up in an extraordinarily short time. The public necessities do not demand the completion of this building under a pressure of labor that shall add largely to the cost of its construction. It will be quite satisfactory if it can be made ready for use within a few months from now, and when finished, if it shall have been built in a thorough and workmanlike manner. Our community have talked hotel for more than twenty years, and now that we have really set about having one, we may as well not fret about the time when it can possibly be finished.

The direction and oversight of the work and of the construction of the building is in the hands of Mr. C. H. Lewers, one of the committee chosen by the subscribers to the bonds. His practical knowledge of this kind of work, acquaintance with its details, and habit of managing men, is sufficient guaranty that no unnecessary delays will occur, and that the structure will be brought within a reasonable cost.

Of the several plans that have been considered, and discussed very thoroughly, that of a building having two wings, each 75 by 32 feet, and connected by a central portion, 50 by 42 feet, has been adopted. Such a shaped building avoids interior rooms, and allows nearly all the apartments to have windows opening to the outer air. The makai and mauka sides will have verandahs of 10 feet width, so that the extreme lines of the building will be 120 by 95 feet.

It will consist of a basement story, the floor four feet below the surface of the ground and twelve feet in the clear, and two other stories, respectively fourteen and twelve feet in the clear. It is divided by hall-ways of eight and ten feet, a width sufficient to give thorough ventilation as well as easy access to all the rooms, of which there are forty-eight sleeping, and ten others for the general uses and needs of the establishment.

The walls are to be made of concrete, rustic finish, similar to that of the new Post Office, with ornamental window caps and sills, and such other finish as may be suitable for the structure. It is found that the coral is about seven feet below the surface of the lot, so that the foundation can be made to rest upon it.

The working plans and elevation, which are being drawn by Mr. Osborne, will be completed in a few days, and can be seen at the office of Mr. Lewers, by the subscribers and such other citizens as feel interested in this matter.

We have no doubt that the building will be a sightly and handsome structure, and will be a credit and ornament to the town. It will be sufficiently large to meet the present demand of the traveling public, and sufficiently roomy to give comfortable accommodation to its occupants, and it will, therefore, remove the objection that does exist abroad, in the minds of many, against visiting our Islands.

The lot is already well covered with trees, and is shaded and pleasant, so that

from the opening of the hotel and the commencement of the business, nothing will be wanting to make it at once a popular and agreeable residence for strangers and resort for residents.

A Valuable Work.

There will be shortly issued from this Office a work compiled by the Deputy Collector of Customs, J. A. Hassinger, which will be a concise and complete table of the tariff on imports; a digest of the laws and regulations of the customs; position and bearings of the various light houses; currency tables and much other valuable information in regard to the commerce of this Kingdom. To those who know the compiler, it is only necessary to say that he has expended much care upon the compilation of the work, and that it will become at once a necessity for the counting-room of every merchant here, and will be a most valuable work for transmission to those abroad who have business connections here.

The labors of the Joint High Commission, which has been sitting at Washington, for the purpose of forming a basis upon which a settlement of the differences between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States could be settled, seems to promise the happiest results. It is understood that a treaty has been drafted by the Commission mutually beneficial and honorable to both nations. It has been generally supposed that what has been termed the "Alabama Claims," was of such an important nature that to settle it was to settle and adjust all the questions which have arisen between the two countries since a specific settlement was had of their differences. This is, however, far from being the case. The "Alabama Claims" have been used as a party watch-word, and brought into prominence for the purpose of making political capital, instead of being the most important question between the two countries. It is known that the politicians of both countries have used the cry of the settlement of these claims simply to influence the people, who, thanks to their intelligence and appreciation of the importance of close commercial relations between the two countries, have refused to be inflamed, and seem determined to maintain those relations which mutual interest and kindred blood demand. It is to be hoped that the ratifying powers of both countries will acquiesce in the basis fixed upon by the able and distinguished statesmen of both countries who compose the Commission.

It will be observed that the schooner Cambria sails with a full cargo and a number of passengers for the Fijis to-day. The opening up of a trade between here and those islands promises good results for both archipelagos. The advancement of the Fijis in civilization and commerce for the past few years has been quite remarkable. The fertility of the group and its adaptability to the cultivation of almost every tropical product will render it in a short time one of the most important countries in the Pacific. We notice that several enterprising gentlemen, who have resided here for some time, will take their departure for the Cambria with the intention of settling at Fiji. The prospect of having speedy and regular steam communication established between here and the Fijis will tend to make our interest in and our knowledge of those interesting Islands much more important to us than they have hitherto been. We do not see, from the fact that we are much more favorably situated as regards the principal ports of supply, why, in time, we should not become in a measure the factors for the Fijis trade.

Notes of Travel in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 2, 1871.

Whoever would see the Golden State in its best aspect must make his observations within the two months preceding the middle of June. At this period, a garb of fresh verdant clothes the country. The hills are robed in a mantle of living green; the cultivated lands give promise of plenteous harvest, and the fruit trees, laden with fragrant blossoms, join the wild flowers in giving rare beauty to the landscape. In a short time, every green thing will be withered and burnt; the streams will be dry, and the foliage of the trees powdered over with dust. A few notes of excursions made in this season of travel may be of interest to your readers. They may awaken pleasant recollections in those who have been over the ground, and to others give some idea of the more noted places of the State. Our first departure will be southward, to

THE CITY OF SAN JOSE.

This town may be reached by either of the two railroads from San Francisco in an hour and a half. The route by the Southern Pacific takes the traveler through a succession of pleasant little villages, and within view of elegant country seats owned by some of the wealthiest men of the city. San Jose was an old Spanish town, and the seat of one of the early missions, but it retains few traces of its former condition. Broad and busy streets, lined with elegant stores; beautiful residences, with orchards and vineyards, give evidence of a prosperous and enterprising people. It is the commercial centre of Santa Clara Valley, one of the richest agricultural regions of the State. Here is located the College of Notre Dame, one of the oldest and most wealthy educational institutions of the State. It is represented to the eye by a massive pile of buildings within an enclosed square, near the centre of the city. The old Padres, connected with the early mission here, are kept in pleasant memory by two rows of trees planted by them along the road, three miles in length, leading to Santa Clara. These have now grown to an immense size, and, by their intermingling branches, form a long bow, making the shaded road one of the most delightful drives in the world. In the outskirts of the city, the State Normal School building is in process of erection, an immense structure wisely made of wood and strongly braced, with reference to the earthquakes to which this region is subject. At a distance

of twelve miles from San Jose are located the

CHERRYLAND MINES OF NEW ALAMADEN. It is a spot of much interest, both because of its natural beauties and the operations here carried on. There are but few such mines in the world, and as not many of your readers have visited one, an account of this may be acceptable. The route takes one through the valley, here fifteen or twenty miles in width, past grain fields and vineyards, with a view here and there of a snug cottage embowered in trees. The first indication of a near approach to the mining locality is seen in a long row of neat little houses, each having a dooryard ornamented with shrubbery and vines, while in the rear flows a clear mountain stream. These are the dwellings of the laborers employed in the smelting works, which are situated at the foot of the mountain. The mine itself lies at an elevation of a thousand feet, and is reached by a winding road cut out upon the side of the hill. It is a finely constructed way, rising by a gradual ascent. The most magnificent views of the surrounding country are presented from the higher points. The eye sweeps over the broad and fertile valley to the extent of twenty or thirty miles.

There are several tunnels running into the mountain at different points, the oldest and largest being near the summit. This spot was, from an unknown period, the resort of Indians who used the ore to make the vermilion with which they delighted to adorn their tawny cheeks. They came here even from points as distant as Columbia River, and with their rude implements had excavated to the depth of fifty or a hundred feet. Different accounts are given of the way in which the existence of the valuable deposit came to the knowledge of the white settlers. By some, the secret is said to have been acquired from the Indians by a Mexican Captain. Another story is, that a searcher for gold, while testing in a roset which appeared to be a red earth, became saturated from inhaling the fumes, and by this unpleasant personal experience, was made aware that he had found mercury. The mine is now in the hands of a company which has control also of other leading sources of supply, and exercising the power of a monopoly, has forced the price to an enormous figure. The dwellings of the miners form little villages, adjacent to one another even to the top of the mountain. The workmen and their families make a population of a thousand or five hundred souls. The common laborers are, for the most part, Mexicans—a reckless improvident race, spending in drinking and gambling their hard-earned wages. As the veins of ore have been followed, a series of labyrinthine cuttings have been made extending for miles, and requiring many hours for their exploration. The descent to the lower levels is made in some places through a perpendicular shaft, through which a bucket lowered and raised by a steam-engine, conveys laborers and ore. Elsewhere, communication is by a series of ladders made of notched logs. Over these go the *tineros*, or carriers, with their loads of two hundred pounds held in a sack swung upon the back, groping their way along narrow shelves lit only by a dim candle here and there, threading narrow passages, until they come to the main tunnel, where a car running upon a narrow track receives their burdens. The cars are pushed out by hand, and muffled beneath a shed, where workmen separate the ore from the useless rock. The valuable portion is conveyed down to the lower levels in large wagons drawn by six horses, or in cars, which, by means of a wire rope worked by an engine, run over a track that reaches to the foot of the mountain. Your correspondent had neither opportunity nor inclination to explore the subterranean passages. Some idea of the appearance of things was had by going into the main tunnel to a short distance where two intelligent, pleasant-faced Cornish miners (of whom a number are employed) were at work filling a car with the material brought out from a side passage. The close air and the uncomfortable sensation connected with the consciousness of being underground, suppressed any wish to continue travel in this direction. A little experience of underground life might be useful to enhance appreciation of the beauty and the joy of sunshine and free air.

But we will now follow the ore down the mountain, and see how it is made to yield up its treasure. The rock itself is strangely unlike the metal derived from it, being of a red color, and showing only by its surprising weight a connection with quicksilver. In some of the richest specimens the sparkle of the metal may be seen. The smelting works occupy a considerable space of ground, and consist of a collection of brick furnaces, each forty feet long by ten feet in height and width. Each includes a series of chambers, twelve or more in number, with openings alternately at the top and bottom. At one end a chamber is filled with pieces of ore and closely sealed. A wood fire subjects it to a heat of eight hundred or nine hundred degrees, when the mercury evaporates, and the fumes passing through the successive departments are condensed, falling in shining drops of pure metal upon the bottom. A covered trough collects them and conveys them through an iron pipe, whence the glittering stream pours into a reservoir. In order to create the strong draught needed for the furnaces, and to remove far away the noxious vapors that escape, the fires are led up the hill to a considerable height. It is surprising to see that a metal so heavy that iron will float upon it, can be so readily turned into vapor. The health of the workmen employed about the furnaces is destroyed in a short time, but the brief hours of work and a dollar per day beyond ordinary wages, form an inducement sufficient to keep up the supply of laborers. The metal is weighed out into iron flasks holding about sixty pounds, and is ready to be conveyed to market. Each flask, after being filled, is subjected to heavy blows from a sledge hammer, to test its soundness. The mine is a source of vast wealth, and the production is limited to such an amount as will maintain high prices. Here, at New Almaden, is the spring of Vichy Water, highly valued for its medicinal qualities.

In the mountains round about, and farther north, the visitor may hunt bears, (with, perhaps, the pleasing variation of being hunted by them), and small game, or, if a disciple of old Isaac Walton, may drop a line into as fine trout streams as ever gratified a sportsman's enthusiasm.

DELTA.

NEW YORK, MAY 2.—Special correspondents telegraph the following:
BERLIN, SUNDAY.—An Imperial council was held to-day, to consider the situation of Paris. Bismarck was present. It was agreed to notify the Versailles Government at last further limited period would be allowed for the restoration of authority, the enforcement of order and the fulfillment of treaty stipulations. After which the Emperor will take independent action to establish law and order in Paris. The dispatch will emphasize the wish of Germany not to interfere in the internal political affairs of France, and will add that such intervention would be regarded as an act of aggression, and would be met by a corresponding act of aggression on the part of France. The Emperor is said to be in the habit of visiting the Rhine, and is expected to visit the Rhine in the near future. The Emperor is said to be in the habit of visiting the Rhine, and is expected to visit the Rhine in the near future.

THE RACE.—The first regatta of the season came off on Wednesday last as was previously announced. The yacht was in position at Steamboat Wharf at 12 o'clock noon, and started at 11 minutes past. The Explorator and every elevated position adjoining was crowded with spectators. The wind was light, and at the start the Kalamann led the way, followed by the Fearless, and the other boats in about a line. It was really beautiful to see them as they passed out through the channel, with the little steam yacht Sedan following. Before reaching the starboard, the boats altered their positions and rounded as follows: Kalamann, Fearless, Cara Bell, Danforth, King Philip and Henrietta. Being now before the wind, the boats were hoisted out, and the Henrietta going "wing and wing," still dipping very much freely in wetting the sails. By the time the start-horn was sounded, the boats had separated considerably, with the exception of the Kalamann and Fearless, which were now side by side. The latter finally took the lead and the boats went to leeward of the stake-boat in the following order:

Kalamann	12h. 4m. 30s.
Fearless	12 44 30
King Philip	12 46 10
Henrietta	12 46 30
Cara Bell	12 46 35
Danforth	12 46 35
King Philip	12 46 35

The race was now about decided in favor of the Kalamann, as there was but little chance of the other boats overtaking her unless some accident happened. The Sedan followed the fleet, blowing her whistle as the champion of the race passed the winning-stake. The boats arrived in the following order:
Kalamann 2h. 0m. 16s.
Henrietta 2 00 12
Fearless 2 00 16
Cara Bell 2 00 15
Danforth 2 00 15
King Philip 2 00 15
Allowing for the difference in time as agreed upon, the boats stood as follows: Kalamann, Henrietta, Cara Bell, Fearless, Danforth and King Philip. The boats were all admirably handled, and the only thing to be regretted was the want of a stronger breeze. The new boat Henrietta labored under a disadvantage from the fact that her two sails did not allow her to work as quickly as the others, although she did start as it was, and like the Fearless, she requires a strong breeze to show herself to advantage. On the whole, the regatta was the most creditable affair of the kind that has ever taken place here.

FEEDING THE LAMBS.—It is one of the most welcome duties to call attention from time to time to the work of the Young Men's Christian Association in this city, because nowhere do we find work done in a more clear-sighted, practical and religious spirit. While different sects carry on their separate work of evangelization, these gentlemen, united out of all sects, by influencing the young men about them at home, lay their hands at once on the lever by which the whole social structure is raised. New York is crowded to suffocation with young men from all parts of the country; it is the arena to which every ambitious boy brings his shrewdness, or skill, or strength, for final success or defeat. He has cut loose from home, old acquaintances, old habits, he is morbid to-day with vanity in his hot young blood and strength; morbid to-morrow with anger at his own insignificance in the crowd; homesick, perhaps, and ashamed of it, shut in by the indifference of his comrades, and himself, his petty pettiness or petty successes. No boy will be converted into isolation—that we all know; least of all the genial hearty fellow, eager for sympathy and comradeship, whose power and promise are worth the most. He cannot cross the street that vice does not open a dozen avenues for him to society, friends, pleasure; avenues where every aesthetic taste he has is cunningly gratified, while a sure hold is laid on his mind nature to drag him down. What shall we do? "He that lives in solitude," says La Rochefoucauld, "is either a brute or a god." The ordinary young man is neither. True, the churches are open, but Sunday-schools and prayer meetings require for their enjoyment a certain amount of active piety which it is most likely he has never felt. He enters the only pleasant doors accessible to him; whiskey, or worse vice, for his hands upon him, and he goes down with that endless, cold, coldness that have gone before. Now, it is for this boy, or his fellows, that the Associations are doing their work. They profit him help from the hour he enters New York, a stranger and alone; hold out their hands with hearty good will, giving him a chance at once for what he will most probably feel the need—an entrance into the society of cultured and well-bred people. Religion is not thrust on him, but he is upon him, his building, as costly and complete as the most expensive club-house in the city, offers him the means for the strengthening and amusement of both body and mind at the trifling outlay of a few dollars per annum. 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